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- (i) First, compute the theoretical volumes of residue gas and of gas plant products attributable to the lease by multiplying the lease volume of the gas stream by the tested residue gas content (mole percentage) or gas plant product (GPM) content of the gas stream;
- (ii) Second, calculate the theoretical volumes of residue gas and of gas plant products delivered from all leases by summing the theoretical volumes of residue gas and of gas plant products delivered from each lease; and
- (iii) Third, calculate the theoretical quantities of net plant output of residue gas and of gas plant products attributable to each lease by multiplying the net plant output of residue gas, or gas plant products, by the ratio in which the theoretical volumes of residue gas, or gas plant products, is the numerator and the theoretical volume of residue gas, or gas plant products, delivered from all leases is the denominator.
- (4) You may request MMS approval of other methods for determining the quantity of residue gas and gas plant products allocable to each lease. If MMS approves a different method, it will be applicable to all gas production from your Indian leases that is processed in the same plant.
- (e) You may not take any deductions from the royalty volume or royalty value for actual or theoretical losses. Any actual loss of unprocessed gas incurred prior to the facility measurement point will not be subject to royalty if BLM determines that the loss was unavoidable.

§ 206.176 How do I perform accounting for comparison?

- (a) This section applies if the gas produced from your Indian lease is processed and that Indian lease requires accounting for comparison (also referred to as actual dual accounting). Except as provided in paragraphs (b) and (c) of this section, the actual dual accounting value, for royalty purposes, is the greater of the following two values:
- (1) The combined value of the following products:
- (i) The residue gas and gas plant products resulting from processing the gas determined under either §206.172 or

- $\S 206.174$, less any applicable allowances; and
- (ii) Any drip condensate associated with the processed gas recovered downstream of the point of royalty settlement without resorting to processing determined under §206.52, less applicable allowances.
- (2) The value of the gas prior to processing determined under either §206.172 or §206.174, including any applicable allowances.
- (b) If you are required to account for comparison, you may elect to use the alternative dual accounting methodology provided for in §206.173 instead of the provisions in paragraph (a) of this section.
- (c) Accounting for comparison is not required for gas if no gas from the lease is processed until after the gas flows into a pipeline with an index located in an index zone or into a mainline pipeline not in an index zone. If you do not perform dual accounting, you must certify to MMS that gas flows into such a pipeline before it is processed.
- (d) Except as provided in paragraph (e) of this section, if you value any gas production from a lease for a month using the dual accounting provisions of this section or the alternative dual accounting methodology of §206.173, then the value of that gas is the minimum value for any other gas production from that lease for that month flowing through the same facility measurement point.
- (e) If the weighted-average Btu quality for your lease is less than 1,000 Btu's per cubic foot, see \$206.173(b)(4)(ii) to determine if you must perform a dual accounting calculation.

TRANSPORTATION ALLOWANCES

§ 206.177 What general requirements regarding transportation allowances apply to me?

(a) When you value gas under §206.174 at a point off the lease, unit, or communitized area (for example, sales point or point of value determination), you may deduct from value a transportation allowance to reflect the value, for royalty purposes, at the lease, unit, or communitized area. The allowance is based on the reasonable actual costs you incurred to transport unprocessed